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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION & AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 26, 2005, Applicants submit the following Amendments and Remarks concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

It is not believed that extension for time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in document accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore, including fees for net addition of claims, are hereby authorized to be charged to **Deposit Account Number 10-0233-AFFY-0016-UT1**.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.